

PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09955.0047-01000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Frédéric FORTIN et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3733
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Application No.: 10/760,075	)	Examiner: Woodall, Nicholas W.
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Filed: January 18, 2004	)	
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For: FLEXIBLE VERTEBRAL	)	Confirmation No.: 1916
LINKING DEVICE	)	

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2008, Applicant submits the attached remarks, beginning on page 2.